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Amendments To The Claims

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The listing of claims presented below will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

<u>Listing of claims:</u>

- 1-2. (cancelled)
- 3. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a ceramic bottle sealed by a plastic cork, the ceramic bottle manufacturing method comprising the steps of:

combining a screw pipe (14) with a combining medium formed at the lower part of a main entrance (4) of a funnel-shaped plaster framework (5);

placing the funnel-shaped plaster framework (5) combined with the screw pipe (14), onto the upper part of plaster frameworks (2)(3), and then injecting slip into the frameworks (5)(2)(3);

pouring the slip after the thickness of the ceramic bottle (1) has been formed between the plaster frameworks (2)(3) and the screw pipe (14);

separating the funnel shaped plaster frameworks (5) from the plaster frameworks (2) (3) and then maintaining the screw pipe (14) at the state where the screw pipe has been to be combined with the entrance (6) of the ceramic bottle (1); and

undergoing a plasticity process for the ceramic bottle (1) at the state where the screw pipe (14) has been combined with the entrance (6) of the ceramic bottle (1), thereby incinerating the screw pipe (14) and forming a screw projection (11) on the inner side of the entrance (6) of the ceramic bottle (1), so that the plastic cork having a

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screw portion can be engaged with the screw projection (11), wherein the combining medium comprises a combination pipe (12) or a combination projection (13) that is combined with and separated from the screw pipe (14).

4. (cancelled)

- 5. (original) The ceramic bottle manufacturing method according to claim 3, wherein the screw pipe (14) is made of plastic, resin or starch that is incinerated during the plasticity process of the ceramic bottle (1).
- 6. (previously presented) The ceramic bottle manufacturing method according to claim 3, wherein a silicon packing (17) is provided at the lower part of the plastic cork (16) to thereby guarantee air-tightening between the ceramic bottle (1) and the plastic cork (16).
- 7-8. (cancelled)